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## Treasurer and Tax Collector Mark J. Saladino

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Mark J. Saladino, Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector, reminds property owners that the first installment of the 2006-2007 property taxes becomes delinquent if not paid by Monday, December 11, 2006. To avoid the assessment of late penalties, payments must be received by 5:00 p.m. or United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked before midnight, December 11, 2006. "To avoid late penalties, taxpayers should not wait until the statutory deadline; please pay early" says Treasurer and Tax Collector Saladino.

To ensure proper processing of payments, make checks payable to the Los Angeles County Tax Collector and include the appropriate first installment payment stub marked "1". Substitute bills can be obtained from the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office or any local Assessor's Office.

The amount due on any parcel can also be obtained from the Treasurer and Tax Collector's website at http:ttax.co.la.ca.us, or call the toll-free Property Tax Information Line at (888) 807-2111, where automated information is available 24 hours a day.

American Express, Master Card and Visa payments are accepted. No pre-registration is required. To make a credit card payment, call toll-free (888) 473-0835. A service fee is charged by a third party vendor to utilize this service. When property owners have completed the transaction, a confirmation number will be provided as verification of payment.

Additionally, with a service called Vcheck taxpayers can pay online by going to the Treasurer and Tax Collector's website at <a href="http://example.co.la.ca.us">http://example.co.la.ca.us</a> or to the property tax web portal at lacountypropertytax.com. To pay online, simply fill out an electronic check with the required information. Once a Vcheck payment is made online, the taxpayer will receive a confirmation page which can be printed for their records. It's safe, secure and there is no fee for this service.

Payments can be made in person at the following location:

Los Angeles County

Treasurer and Tax Collector 225 North Hill Street, First Floor

Los Angeles, California 90012

Office Hours:

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

Beginning December 1, 2006 through December 11, 2006, Treasurer and Tax Collector personnel will also receive payments at the Lancaster Office. The address is noted below. Personnel will be available to resolve tax problems and provide substitute tax bills. All payments must be made by check or money order. No cash payments can be accepted at this location.

Treasurer and Tax Collector 335A East Avenue K-6 Lancaster, California 93535

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday